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TAGS: EFIN PFOR CPRS EG

SUBJECT: US CLAIMS AGAINST EGYPT (EGYPTIAN PRESS ITEM)

REF: A. CAIRO 7619; B. STATE 182341

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED:

1. THE FOLLOWING PRESS ITEM APPEARED IN THE EGYPTIAN GAZETTE OF SUNDAY, AUG 3, 1975: QUOTE PROPERTY OF US CITIZENS -- ACCORD ON COMPENSATION. DR. AHMED S. DWEDAR, (SIC.) UNDER-SECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION, SAID THAT THE PRELIMINARY TALKS WITH THE US DELEGATION CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR THE PROPERTIES OF US CITIZENS IN EGYPT HAS CULMINATED IN AN AGREEMENT OUTLINING THE BASIS AND PRINCIPLES ACCORDING TO WHICH ALL ESTIMATES WILL BE CONSIDERED. THE DELEGATION WILL MEET AGAIN WITH EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE DECIDED COMPENSATION CASES. THESE COMPRISE 20 AGRARIAN REFORM CASES, 21 NATIONALIZATION CASES, 52 SEQUESTERED-ACCOUNT CASES AND 21 OTHER CASES. END QUOTE. END UNCLASSIFIED

2. THE ABOVE PRESS ITEM CAME AS A COMPLETE SURPRISE TO THE EMBASSY. UNDERSEC DEWIDAR HAD NOT MENTIONED IT TO HUANG AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE (REF A), OR PREVIOUS MEETINGS. IN GENERAL DEWIDAR STATEMENT IS ACCURATE, ALTHOUGH THE TWO SIDES MIGHT DIFFER ON THE EXACT NUMBER OF CASES, DETAILS  
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AND RAMIFICATIONS. USG , OF COURSE, IS NOT LEGALLY BOUND BY

UNILATERAL EGYPTIAN STATEMENT. AS INDICATED IN EMBASSY REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS, THERE HAS BEEN NO FORMAL AGREEMENT, BUT ONLY EGYPTIAN PROPOSALS (AD REFERENDUM) NOTED BY US SIDE AND REPORTED TO WASHINGTON. IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT STATEMENT MAKES NO MENTION OF JOINT COMMITTEE.

3. ON THE WHOLE THERE ARE SOME SEEMING ADVANTAGES TO BE DERIVED FROM DEWIDAR STATEMENT. USG IS LEGALLY STILL FREE TO REJECT ANYTHING IT DOES NOT WISH TO ACCEPT, WHEREAS, GOE IS NOW POLITICALLY AND PUBLICLY COMMITTED TO PAY COMPENSATION FOR PROPERTY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF US NATIONALS TAKEN BY EGYPT. PRESS STATEMENT PERHAPS EXCEEDS POSITIVE NOTE MENTIONED IN REFTEL B.

4. DEPARTMENT MIGHT CONSIDER TAKING FOREGOING INTO ACCOUNT WHEN RESPONDING IN CASE MATTER IS RAISED. UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE EMBASSY PLANS TAKE NO ACTION. DEWIDAR IS REPORTED ON 10 DAYS TRIP TO ROMANIA FOR MEETINGS OF JOINT EGYPTIAN/ROMANIAN COMMITTEE IN BUCHAREST.  
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